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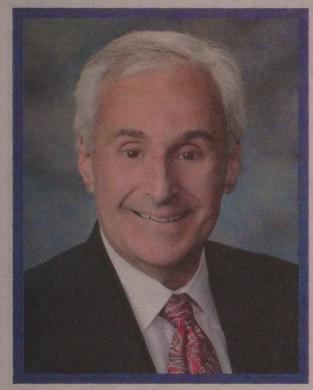


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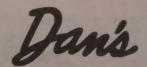
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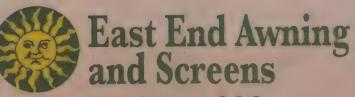
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**LUKE GULBRANSON** 

BY FLO ANTHONY

lthough Luke Gulbranson and Ciara Miller went through rough patches when she joined the fifth season of Summer House, he was still shocked to hear some of the recent comments that his ex-girlfriend made about him. "I've always been nice to Ciara, regardless of our past that I've apologized to the one thing in our relationship back in the day. I just found it to be a bit distasteful that she continued to throw shade at me and be a mean girl," the hockey coach exclusively told Us Weekly on January 31,

while promoting Season 6 of the Bravo series about a group of people who rent a Hamptons share house. "I just don't think it's necessary. I think it's uncalled for and disrespectful." Summer House fans were originally introduced to Miller when she joined the series as Gulbranson's friend and former flame in Season 5. His history with Hannah Berner created tension in the house throughout that season.

nd just like that, Sarah Jessica Parker erased any speculation that Kim Cattrall might join the reboot. When the Amagansett resident was asked if she would be all right

with Cattrall joining a second season of And Just Like That ..., the Sex and the City star told Variety, "I don't think I would, because I think SOUTH O'THE there's just too much public history of feel-HIGHWAY at ings on her part that Dans Papers.com she shared. I haven't participated in or read articles, although people are inclined to let me know."

Cattrall, who played Samantha Jones in the original HBO series and was missing from the revival beyond sending Parker's character Carrie text messages, has long maintained she would never return to the franchise because of feuds with her former co-stars. Meanwhile, Parker has vehemently denied any feuding.

C ag Harbor's Don Lemon will host a candid talk show with a studio audience in the style of legendary talk show hosts like Oprah Winfrey, Phil Donahue and Johnny Carson. The show will appear on the new CNN+ streaming platform that the cable network is billing as a new online subscription service that

allows users to stream shows airing live, access on-demand content and participate in interactive interviews. Launching with the service in the spring, Lemon's show will air weekly. It will have the host talking about "the most talkable news stories each week," Lemon told Page Six, adding that this format was inspired by similar talk shows from years past.



Read more

**SARAH JESSICA PARKER** 

## SOUTH o'the HIGHWAY

#### B NORTH TOO.



JEFF ZUCKER

stepped down recently after being outed for not disclosing his alleged years-long relationship with colleague Allison Gollust, a relationship that only came to light publicly Read more when Chris Cuomo. SOUTH O'THE who owns a home in HIGHWAY at Southampton, pointed DansPapers.com it out during negotiations for his severance package. Zucker and Gollust have worked together for more than 20 years. The pair were both married previously, but are now no longer with their former partners. They lived in the same apartment building on Manhattan's Upper East Side with their respective families until Zucker sold his apartment during his divorce from his ex-wife Caryn Zucker in 2018, and accord-

ing to media sources, their relation-

ship was well-known. Now, according

NN President Jeff Zucker

to multiple reports, it has cost Zucker his job and sources say Cuomo is to blame. He is reportedly still fighting for \$18 million — the remainder

of his contract — but Zucker had refused to pay it out, citing the conflict of interest between Cuomo's relationship with his brother, former NY State Governor Andrew Cuomo, and his on-air reporting for CNN.

We Hear...

During The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills' cast trip to Colorado, Southampton's Kathy Hilton allegedly got into a heated exchange with a staff member at a nightclub after he denied her request to ask the DJ to play her childhood friend Michael Jackson's hit song "Billie Jean," reports Radar. According to the outlet, after the ladies stopped film-

ing for the day, they went dancing at the members-only Caribou Club. Because of the noise and the DJ booth being separated from the patrons, the Hamptons socialite asked the employee to give the DJ her request. He refused and allegedly told Hilton to "go back to LA," to which she allegedly replied, "Relax."

A ccording to multiple outlets, Jon Bon Jovi of East Hampton, was spotted helping his 80-something parents Jon and Carol Bongiovi move out of their house at the Eagle Trace Golf Club in Coral Springs, Florida.

Sightings...

E ast Hamptonite Hugh Jackman wearing a black sweater

and wool coat in Manhattan on January 30.

In Manhattan, Mariska Hargitay of East Hampton and Jason Biggs sharing laughs on the set of Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.

Jennifer Lopez and Ben Affleck leaving NBC Studios in Rockefeller Center. Earlier in the day, the Water Mill pop star had a slight tête-à-tête with Hoda Kotb during her appearance on the *Today* show. When cohost Kotb kept asking Lopez about the status of her relationship with Affleck, JLo asked her, "You don't want to talk about your personal stuff, Hoda?" Kotb recently announced that she and fiancé Joel Schiffman called it quits over the Christmas holiday.



JON BON JOVI

#### **HarborFrost Winter Celebration in Sag Harbor**



Sag Harbor Cinema: Jesse Matsuoka, Gail Bruesewitz-LoPinto, Iwona Dudek

HarborFrost, the Sag Harbor Chamber of Commerce's annual winter celebration, presented a full program highlighting fire and ice. A crowd of brave souls withstood freezing temperatures to enjoy ice carving demos and sculptures along Main Street, a ZIMA! immersive scavenger hunt by the Neo-Political Cowgirls and an outdoor dance party with DJ Twilo. At dusk, fire dancers warmed up Windmill Beach followed by Grucci fireworks, which lit up the sky over Long Wharf. PHOTOGRAPHY BY JUSTIN MEINREN



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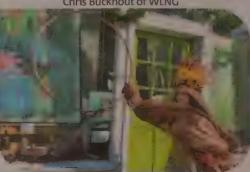
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Sarah Azzari (Sol), Neo-Political Cowgirls

#### East End Arts 'Dan's Reimagined' Show Opens in Riverhead



Dan Rattiner, photographer Jim Lennon



Wendy Weiss, Dan Rattiner

East End Arts members paid tribute to Dan Rattiner and the artists who have graced the cover of *Dan's Papers* with their own "reimaginations" of past cover art for their 2022 annual Elizabeth Richard Memorial Members' Show. Curated by gallery manager Wendy Weiss, *Dan's Reimagined* showcases 41 original pieces by 38 artists. Dan Rattiner was on hand at the opening reception to meet and greet the artists and give them a copy of Dan's 60 Summers, a compilation of 60 of Dan's favorite covers (published in 2019 to celebrate 60 summers of Dan's Papers). The show runs through March 4. eastendarts.org PHOTOGRAPHY BY ROB CUNI



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Indigenous artists from an array of sovereign nations throughout the country. Workshops, talks and films accompany the exhibit, throughout February. southamptonartscenter.org

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Joy Pak, Suffolk County Legislator Bridget Fleming, Robin Brown



Fairley Pilaro, Paton Miller, Nancy Miller



Indigenous traditional drumming and dancing: Denise Silva-Dennis, Ginew Benton, Shane Weeks, Tecumseh Ceaser



Jeremy Dennis, Denise Silva-Dennis and guests



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#### **Burner Law in WHB Goes Red for American Heart Month**

Burner Law Group, an all-female law firm, lit their Westhampton Beach location in red on February 5 in honor of American Heart Month and to raise awareness for women's heart health. Nancy Burner, Esq., the founder of Burner Law Group P.C., and her daughter Britt Burner, Esq. have teamed up with Northwell Health and the Katz Institute for Women's Health to bring wellness initiatives to the East End.

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## Dan's Papers 'NEW YEAR, NEW VIEW' PHOTO CONTEST RUNNERS-UP ...

Recently, we announced the winner of our "New Year, New View" photo contest, Lucille Corva for "Beach Fence Post." Since we received so many wonderful, eye-catching submissions, we wanted to share some of the runners-up photos with you on this page. We will also be featuring our Grand Prize photo contest winner's work on an upcoming cover of *Dan's Papers* — so stay tuned! A big THANK YOU to all of our *Dan's* readers and photographers for sharing your work! And please keep those great East End photographs coming — see new contest and rules on this page and go to DansPapers.com for more info.



Susan Tango — Westhampton Beach



Jane Kastan — Amagansett



Nicole Schoen-Squier — Southampton



Lucille Corva — East Quogue



Amy Marshean — Southold

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- You can submit up to five preferably high-res photos per theme (no paintings, digital illustrations, etc.)
- All photos must be taken on the East End (Hamptons, North Fork and Shelter Island) and submitted by the photographer who took them.
- You must submit photos to alagreca@danspapers.com with the subject: "SEASON OF LOVE" by Friday, February 25, 2022 at noon to be considered for the contest.
- The winner will be announced in the following issue, so no late submissions will be accepted.
   Select runners-up will appear in subsequent issues.
- The winning photographer receives a gift certificate to a fabulous East End restaurant and a chance to grace our cover with a photograph this year!
- Please include a little info about yourself as well as the photo (title, location, subject, etc.) and cut/paste the following written release statement with your submission: By entering this contest and submitting photos, l'acknowledge that Dan's Papers (Schneps Media) is granted permission to post and print the attached images and their likeness with relation to the photo contest in print, online and on social media.

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## NEWS VIEWS

#### East End's NY Legislative Districts Shift Amid Redistricting

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

Some East End residents will have their New York State representatives replaced next year under the recently enacted, Democratic-led redistricting plan that Republicans promptly challenged in court, arguing the changes are unconstitutional.

The First Assembly District, which currently covers the South Fork, Shelter Island and stretches west to Shirley, under the revision ends in Westhampton and includes most of the North Fork. The Second Assembly District that has covered the Town of Southold instead stops at the Riverhead Town line and pushes south into northern communities in the Town of Southampton. And the First Senate District that covers the entire East End pushes further west to Old Field on the North Shore and shrinks eastward from Bellport to Westhampton on the South Shore — assuming the plan survives legal challenges.

"I will have fond memories of all the folks I have worked with through the years that I will no longer have the privilege of representing," said Assemblyman Fred Thiele (I-Sag Harbor), who represents the first Assembly District and voted for the new maps. "I look forward to working for my new constituents in Southold, many of whom I know already from our regional endeavors to preserve and protect the East End."

State Senator Antony Palumbo (R-New Suffolk), the Twin Forks rep in the upper chamber of the state Legislature, was critical of the changes, saying they were made by "Albany power brokers who are more interested in maintaining political power than serving the will and interest of New Yorkers." Assemblywoman Jodi Giglio (R-Riverhead), who reps the sec-



THE EAST END'S REDISTRICTED NY STATE LEGISLATIVE MAP (CUNY MAPPING SERVICE)

ond Assembly District, did not respond to a request for comment.

State lawmakers redrew their district lines and congressional district maps after the bipartisan Independent Redistricting Commission, made up of an equal number of Democratic and Republican appointees intended to prevent partisan gerrymandering — diluting or packing of voters into certain districts to sway election results — could not agree on a combined map, and punted responsibility. Gov.

Kathy Hochul signed into law days later maps devised by the State Legislature's Democratic majority.

GOP voters who filed the lawsuit challenging the maps called the new congressional district that covers the East End — NY's First Congressional District currently held by U.S. Rep. Lee Zeldin (R-Shirley) — and that will stretch into Nassau County, an "egregious gerrymander."

The state attorney's general office that is defending the case did not immediately have a comment.

#### Man Charged with Making Terroristic Threat to Westhampton Beach Police

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

A Westhampton man was arrested for threatening Westhampton Beach Police, prompting the evacuation of Westhampton Beach Village Hall that head-quarters the department, village police said.

David Krouse, 63, was charged with making a terroristic threat, a felony punishable by up to seven years in prison. His initial court appearance was at Westhampton Beach Village Justice Court.

"Southampton Town Police received a phone call, which was intended for the Westhampton Beach Police Department ... from a man who was agitated and

made a threat of violence against Westhampton Beach Police" at 3 p.m. February 2, police said.

Westhampton Beach PD's Lt. Ryan Lucas said Krouse did not express any particular gripe with the department or reveal a specific motive for the threat during his phone call or at the time of his arrest.

Southampton Town Police said Krouse was previously arrested for punching and breaking storefront windows of local businesses on Montauk Highway on August 27. On September 27, he was charged with trespassing

and menacing after Southampton Town Police said they found him "highly intoxicated" with scissors in his hand after a woman reported he threatened to break another store window. And on December 28,



A WESTHAMPTON BEACH POLICE SUV EMBLAZONED WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S OATH "TO PROTECT AND SERVE"

Suffolk County police charged him with disorderly conduct.

An attorney for Krouse could not be reached for comment.

## NEWS & VIEWS

#### Second Suspect Arrested in Southampton Christmas Murder

#### BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

A second suspect has been arrested for his alleged role in shooting a 53-year-old man to death in the victim's Southampton home on Christmas morning, Suffolk County police said.

Homicide Squad detectives charged Dangelo Soto, 21, of Brentwood, with second-degree murder and first-degree burglary in the death of Steven Byrnes.

Another suspect, Dominick Parisi, 57, of Hampton Bays, was arrested last month and charged with second-degree murder in the case. Parisi previously served a prison term for a first-degree manslaughter conviction and was paroled in 2012.

Southampton Town Police officers had responded to a 911 call reporting a home invasion on Roses Grove Road, where they found a resident of the home had been shot at 8:45 a.m. December 25, police had said.

The victim was pronounced dead at the scene by a physician assistant from the Office of the Suffolk County Medical Examiner.

Both suspects face up to 25 years in prison, if convicted. They have been ordered held without bail.



#### FAA Warns of Turbulence in East Hampton Airport Plan

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

The Federal Aviation Administration warned February 2 that a plan to convert East Hampton Airport to private use may take about two years—significantly longer than the three-day timeframe town officials recently estimated.

The FAA detailed its concerns with the plan in a three-page letter to East Hampton Town Supervisor Peter Van Scoyoc, who has led the town board's efforts to change the airport's status so that it can enact curfews and regulate the types of aircraft that take off and land there. The town posted the letter on its website.

"Once the airport is deactivated, it could not immediately return to its prior operating status," Marie Kennington-Gardiner, the FAA's regional administrator, wrote in the letter. "While FAA will endeavor to expedite its processes, you should be aware that it may take approximately two years to restore the current capability to the airport if it is deactivated, depending on any potential environmental analyses."

The town board had unanimously approved on January 20 a measure to deactivate the airport on February 28 and then reopen it on March 4 as a private-use airport using what's known as a prior permission required (PPR) framework, meaning the town will have greater control over aircraft using the facility as well as arrival and departure times. The regulations could include limiting or banning certain types of aircraft such as jets, helicopters or seaplanes, with rules adjusted on an as-needed basis, town officials have said.

Van Scoyoc had said the move was aimed at addressing neighbors' noise complaints and environmentalists' pollution concerns. Business leaders have warned that closure could negatively impact the local economy. Van Scoyoc responded to the letter during the latest town board meeting.

"To the extent that the airport is not authorized to open or any of its capabilities not approved, that is a direct result of the FAA turning its back on the town and deciding at the 11th hour that it cannot accomplish what it previously told the town was possible," he said. "The town remains confident that a private-use airport will open on March 4. It is within the FAA's hands whether the airport will be controlled or the FAA will be able to cater to instrument flights. We see no reason why this can't be achieved and have no plans to change course."

The town supervisor also said the FAA suggested in its letter that East Hampton Airport is currently unsafe — a characterization that multiple speakers at the meeting argued was untrue. But some callers suggested that if the town reopens the airport without the instrument approach and control tower approvals in place, it would, in fact, create an unsafe condition.

Kennington-Gardiner wrote that in addition to the many regulatory hurdles involved in convert-



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ing the airport's status, the new rules could present safety concerns. The letter also warned that the New York Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON), a Westbury-based FAA facility that provides approach services for New York Metro area airports, would not be able to manage which aircraft have permission to land in the Wainscott airport

"FAA is also concerned about the methods the airport will use to deny permission to land under PPR," she wrote. "If inbound aircraft are sent around because they have been denied permission to land, it could cause an unsafe situation within New York TRACON airspace. The FAA needs details on how the airport will enforce the PPR to ensure the integrity of the National Air Traffic System."

Van Scoyoc responded by saying that the town would manage flight permission after aircraft have landed.

Erin King-Sweeney, an aviation attorney who is executive director of the pro-airport East Hampton Community Alliance, previously warned that the process would take longer than three days.

"The process of opening an airport is important and complicated," she said. "EHCA is reviewing the FAA correspondence and remains committed to working with the town to develop workable solutions."

#### DAN'S COLUMN

## Leaf Blowers

BY DAN RATTINER

Last week, citizens in the Village of Southampton crowded into a large hall to demand that the mayor and his trustees ban gasoline-powered leaf blowers all year round instead of just in the summer months.

"There are often anywhere from three to six blowers working in tandem outside our door," filmmaker Orson Cummings said, according to *The Southampton Press*. "We can't think straight and enjoy our lives."

"You've been bombarded with hundreds of emails and letters, and you've done nothing," somebody else said. "What's taking so long?"

Many others waded in demanding action.

Mayor Jesse Warren chose to waffle. "There's a lot to be considered," he said. People looked at one another.

Clearly there is something wrong with having a ban on gasoline powered leaf blowers only in July and August. Leaves hold tight to their trees in those months. The ground only starts to get littered with leaves beginning in October. And leaf blowing is legal then.

Is there some kind of a leaf-blowing cabal at work here? Have they threatened the mayor to make sure he continues with this seasonal restriction? What's next? No strawberry picking in January? Come on!

The Southampton Press reported that the mayor said he'd like to set up some kind of public forum to discuss the issue and hear from people on both sides of the debate, reinforcing his waffle and putting an end to the discussion.

And what is it about leaf blowing anyway? By definition it is ridiculous. For millions of years leaves in the northern hemisphere turned gloriously colorful and subsequently fell from the trees to the ground in October without interference from humans. Suddenly, now it's a problem. These leaves must be blown off wealthy people's properties. They paid a lot of money for these properties. So they

want them in pristine condition. What a boon for the landscaping business. They strap these 20-horsepower gasoline engines on the backs of their workers, slap noise-cancelling earmuffs over their ears, switch on the blower tubes and set them loose. Things get

blown from hither to yon, and then,

if not picked up — another operation entirely — get blown from yon back to hither, and customers get charged for a second time.

And there are tensions.
On occasion, the workmen
blow the leaves to the edge of

a homeowner's property and then, after looking left and right to make sure nobody is watching, blow them up in the air and across the property line to become the neighbor's, after which they cackle and waddle away.

I would suspect that is what happened to Orson Cummings the filmmaker, who we all know makes his movies in collaboration with his brother Ben, who confirmed the leaf blower onslaught. He and Ben are sitting there in their home throwing their ideas around when they are suddenly silenced by a whole army of workmen making deafening noises as they blow leaves and debris high into the air to waft down upon the Cummings lawn just outside their door.

Leaf blowers have only been around recently. In the old days before leaf blowers, the landscapers used rakes. Rake, rake, rake. We all got along.

Does anybody recall the Leaf War of 2004? Ear-splitting leaf blower noises filled the air for hours.

This was in the early days of gasoline-powered leaf blowers. Prior to that time, both Southampton Town and East Hampton Town had operations that helped the citizenry fight the dreaded leaves. The Southampton Town Highway Departments would post dates and times when leaf-sucking town trucks went out to snarfle in all leaves raked to the shoulders of the roads in their respective towns. The trucks towed leaf-sucking trailers behind them on which were motorized machines that ground



leaves into mulch for various municipal park foliage-growing projects. It was a win-win situation and the populace patiently tolerated the noisy, disgusting munching as these contraptions came along their particular road for a few minutes on the appointed day.

Anyway, about a month before leafsucking day in 2004, the Town of Southampton announced that as a belttightening measure, they were going to not make the leaf-munching pickup. The leaves fluttered to the ground as they always did that October. They were blown curbside as always. And there they sat, waiting. And then the word came down.

It would be as usual on the East Hampton side. But not on the Southampton side.

In downtown Sag Harbor, there is a road called Division Street, called that because the white line that goes down the center of it designates the boundary line between the Town of Southampton and the Town of East Hampton. (How that happened is a whole other story, but one that I am saving for another day.)

So what happened was that at midnight just before leaf pickup day, the horrendous roar of dozens of gaspowered leaf-blowing machines filled the air on the Southampton side as Southampton landscapers and their leaf blowing crews began blowing all their leaves across Division Street to the eastern side so that in the morning, the Town of East Hampton mulching trucks, not able to identify where any particular leaf came from, would inadvertently munch up these vagabond leaves from across the way.

Had this been done when using rakes was how you dealt with fallen leaves — or even if they had used electric leaf blowers, which just issue a gentle hum — the chaos that followed could have been avoided.

East Hampton police arrived to deal with the noise only to discover the gasoline leaf-blower people from South-ampton holding up traffic at that hour. Caught red-handed. Then the East Hampton leaf-blower people arrived on the scene and started blowing leaves back across the street to Southampton.

What a night that was.

How did it work out? Well, at 3 a.m. an armistice was signed and the two sides agreed to just leave the leaves wherever they were without a further skirmish and everyone went home. A week later, Southampton Town repealed their new law and got all the leaves on their side mulched a few days after that.

Unmask the members of the leafblower cabal. The people of Southampton must get their village to answer their demands.





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#### NEWS & VIEWS

# Manorville Murders: 10 Years After Discovery of Remains, Exploring LI's Pre-Gilgo Cold Case Dumping Ground

#### BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

On February 17, 2012, a hiker searching for deer antlers in the thick, sprawling woodlands of Manorville made a grim discovery: The skeleton of a man who, 10 years later, remains unidetified.

The case is the latest unsolved homicide unearthed in the rural community considered the gateway to the East End. Located in the heart of the Long Island Central Pine Barrens — 100,000 acres of protected forest preserved to prevent pollutants from infiltrating the region's aquifer that serves as its sole source of public drinking water — this was not the first dead body to turn up in this area that is desolate by design. Nor would it be the last.

"People say, 'How come their families don't come forward?" says Joseph Giacalone, a retired New York Police Department homicide detective who commanded a cold case squad. "A lot of the time people just leave on their own and don't want to be found. And then they come up like this, and then there's no report on them, there's no other information, maybe their family members have passed away. So it makes things rather difficult."

The discovery is one of more than a half dozen sets of remains to turn up in Manorville over the past three decades. Before Suffolk County police found 10 sets of human remains in and around Gilgo Beach in 2010 and '11 — an investigation that has spawned books and movies — it was the bodies found in Manorville that sparked fears of a serial killer on the loose on Long Island, although only two Manorville cases appear connected.

Suffolk police Det. Lt. Kevin Beyrer, commander of the Homicide Squad, declined to comment on the 2012 case through a department spokesperson, other than to say that the victim died of "homicidal violence" and that there were no updates in the investigation.

Medical examiners have determined the victim to be a man between the ages of 30 and 50 with brown hair who had recovered from a vertebral stress frac-



JESSICA TAYLOR

ture and a broken fibula, or calf bone. He was wearing white-and-green tube socks and had on an extralarge Eddie Bauer waistband.

"I probably walked by it 100 times before, and I saw it kind of sticking out of the ground, and it looked unusual," Matt Samuel, who made the discovery, told reporters at the time. "I looked a little closer and from there discovered that it was human remains. ... It was wrapped in bed sheets and a plastic bag. It was a whole body, but just the bones, there was trees growing up through it, so it has been there a long time."

#### **COLD CASES**

The earliest unsolved Manorville case also had the biggest breakthrough of late.

In 2020, Suffolk police made headlines when investigators identified a murder victim 20 years after her grisly discovery: Valerie Mack, a 24-year-old woman last seen in Philadelphia, whose nude, decapitated and partially dismembered torso was discovered by hunters in Manorville on November 19, 2000. Authorities had used forensic genealogy—searching for familial DNA matches in public databases—to identify her, although there has been no news on her case since.

Mack's case is the one most clearly linked to another in the Manorville area, that of 20-year-old Jes-

sica Taylor, whose remains were dumped in a similar fashion and discovered less than a mile away off Halsey Manor Road on July 27, 2003. The skulls and partial limbs of both women were found 11 years later and nearly 50 miles away off Ocean Parkway — some of the remains police found near Gilgo.

Mack's isn't the only unsolved Manorville murder in which investigators have made a breakthrough and put a name to the victim. But in the case of a man found on November 10, 2003 — five months after Taylor was found and 20 days before another unidentified man was found dead in nearby North Shirley — police have said the victim's family asked authorities not to release the victim's name when he was finally identified in 2015. The case remains an active homicide investigation, police have said.

His remains were uncovered in a wooded area about 300 yards south of the Long Island Expressway near Toppings Path and more than a mile west of Exit 71. The mushroom picker who made the grim find waited 10 days before reporting it to police because he was scared, but ultimately made the call after having nightmares, the *New York Post* reported at the time.

"The body looked decomposed, like it had been there three or four months," the hunter told the *Post*, which didn't print his name because he feared for his safety. "I was terrified, and I didn't tell anyone except my wife."

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VALERIE MACK

When the remains were first discovered, they were so decomposed that the sex was not immediately clear. A forensic anthropologist initially confirmed the remains as that of a 35- to 50-year-old man "with no trauma done to the skeleton," police said at the time, the *North Shore Sun* reported. He was described as a white man, 5 feet 6 inches tall with brown hair.

Suffolk police declined to release any further updates on the case. County investigators have acknowledged how important a name can be in getting justice for unidentified murder victims.

"Some identification of who these people are will certainly give us an opportunity to backtrack and figure out what happened and why," then-Suffolk Police Homicide Squad Det. Lt. Jack Fitzpatrick told *The New Island Ear* when police were trying to identify Mack and a still-unidentified man found strangled to death, two miles away in North Shirley, four days after Mack's discovery. "Without identification there's not a lot to go on."

#### **CLOSED CASES**

Not all of the Manorville cases that grabbed headlines over the years have gone unsolved. The earliest of the group resulted in a conviction. Although it proved especially tragic.

On April 27, 1996, hikers found the skeletal remains of a child in the woods near Exit 70 on the Long Island Expressway. Investigators determined her identity, 4-year-old Jennifer Shafiq of Queens, in 2005. A year later, her mother was charged with second-degree murder and her father was charged with hindering prosecution for killing their child in 1990. They were later convicted.

Manorville's reputation as a dumping ground drew some non-homicidal people to dump bodies there, as well. On March 21, 2012, a jogger found 45-year-old Pura Simancas of Central Islip dead in Manorville Hills County Park. Investigators later determined that she died of an accidental overdose and her boy-



THE SUN STREAMS THROUGH THE TREES IN THE LONG ISLAND PINE BARRENS

friend left her body in the woods. He was charged with improperly disposing of a body.

Other cases were more nefarious. On October 15, 2015, a driver on Wading River Manor Road in Manorville noticed a fire on the side of the road in the Otis Pike Preserve and discovered it was a burning body. The victim was later identified as German Guzman, 36, of Amityville. Two men, Bryan Rosales Mejia and Orlen Soliz-Galvez, later pleaded guilty to his murder.

In the most recent and local case of them all, on July 30, 2020, a home health aide found 37-year-old Carmelina Maria Velasquez-Zhau, a Manorville resident, dead in a wooded area just east of Winding Path. Her coworker who lived at the same home, Faustino Marquez-Cruz, later pleaded not guilty to second-degree

murder in her death. His trial is pending.

#### SEEKING JUSTICE

As for the unsolved cases, Giacalone, the retired cold case investigator, is optimistic that a resolution could be on the horizon, now that the county has two new sets of fresh eyes from newly appointed Suffolk County Police Commissioner Rodney Harrison and recently elected Suffolk County District Attorney Ray Tierney.

"I'm really looking to see a lot of information coming out on these cases in the next few months with the new administration," Giacalone says. "There's a lot of things to be positive for to help identify these people."



SUFFOLK COUNTY POLICE KEEP WATCH OVER THE AREA IN MANORVILLE WHERE SKELETAL REMAINS WERE FOUND ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2012

## REALESTATE

Shelter Island:

## Top 10 Most Expensive Home Sales of 2021

BY TAYLOR K. VECSEY

We told you about the priciest sales on both the South Fork and the North Fork, now let's take a look at the biggest sales on Shelter Island during 2021.

#### 1) 10 Lari Lane | \$11.575 million

This waterfront gated compound set on 3.25 acres boasts 325 feet on Coecles Harbor. The 16,000-square-foot home overlooks a private dock, and a private beach was designed by noted architect Val Florio, plus there is a three-car carriage house, a two-story pool house and an infinity-edged heated gunite pool with raised spa. Corcoran brokers handled both sides of the deal. Gary DePersia listed the home in April 2021 for \$2.5 million less than previously offered with another agency. Susan Breitenbach brought the buyer, who closed in September.

#### 2) 7 Apple Orchard Lane | \$9.1 million

Known as Four Seas, the 1.5-acre property in Shorewood looks west across the Peconic Bay and offers 150 feet of private beach. The classic gambrel-style, 10,000-square-foot home sold in March. There is also a waterside, 50-foot heated gunite pool and hot tub framed by a 150-foot private dock. Peter McCracken and Gary DePersia of Corcoran had the listing, last asking \$9.95 million. Penelope Moore of Saunders & Associates brought the buyer.

#### 3) 16 Harbor Lane, Dering Harbor | \$6.5 million

The only home on the tiny island's village to make the list, this 3,800-square-foot home overlooks the harbor. The 0.72-acre lot includes 125 feet of beach frontage and a deepwater dock. It was offered exclusively by John Catrambone at Dering Harbor Real Estate at \$6.3 million and he sold it for \$200,000 more.

#### 4) 40B Stearn's Point Road | \$6 million

A one-of-a-kind showpiece, this 5,800-square-foot home, perched atop the bluffs on 3.87 acres, comes



THIS TUDOR-STYLE HOME IN DERING HARBOR WAS EXCLUSIVELY LISTED BY DERING HARBOR REAL ESTATE.



THE 16,000-SQUARE-FOOT HOME AT 10 LARI LANE ON SHELTER ISLAND OVERLOOKS COECLES HARBOR.

with access to Crescent Beach and a shared dock. It features original 1920s woodwork, while noted architect/designer Michael Haverland reimagined the home by adding a modern wing with a luxe primary suite and maximizing the views from multiple levels. The home was listed with the Cee Scott Brown and Jack Pearson at Compass for \$6.75 million. They also repped the buyer.

#### 5) 102 Peconic Avenue | \$5 million

In an off-market transaction, a Nantucket-style beach house with views of the Great Peconic Bay sold in early December. The 1.2-acre property includes a 3,500-square-foot house, a guest cottage, waterside pool and 200 feet of sandy beach. Michael Brennan of Douglas Elliman Real Estate represented both sides

#### 6) 189 Ram Island Drive | \$4.995 million

This 5,500-square-foot custom built home at the end of Ram Island Drive offers sweeping views of Gardiner's Bay. The 1.3-acre property also delights with a gunite pool, manicured gardens, 122 feet of sandy beach and a separate guest suite above the detached two-car garage. Daniel Gale Sotheby's International Realty represented both sides.

#### 7) 30 Little Ram Island Drive | \$4.9 million 15 Montclair Avenue | \$4.9 million

Tying for seventh place are two addresses, one on Coecles Harbor and one on West Neck Harbor. The 3,783-square-foot home at 30 Little Ram Island Drive is a shingled traditional that sits on 1.82 acres, along with a tennis court, a pool, a guest house and a 70-foot long dock. Penelope Moore of Saunders & Associates had the co-exclusive with John Catrambone of Dering Harbor Real Estate, with the latter bringing the buyer.

As for 15 Montclair Avenue, a shingle gambrelstyle, 4,900-square-foot home sits on a half-acre with 200 feet of bulk-headed waterfront, staircases leading to a private beach and a private dock. An open listing, Margot Reutter of Corcoran represented the buyer and Georgiana B. Ketcham Real Estate also received credit when the property sold on November 15.

#### 8) 1 Wheeler Road | \$4.7 million

This estate offers 600 feet of frontage on West Neck Creek at the mouth of West Neck Harbor. The 3,700-square-foot Colonial shingled-style home sits on 2.8 acres with a deepwater dock, a guest cottage and a barn with a two-car garage/woodshop. Debra Von Brook-Binder of Daniel Gale Sotheby's International Realty had the listing. Angelo Piccozzi of Dering Harbor Real Estate brought the buyer.

#### 9) 7 Lari Lane | \$3.75 million

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This traditional, 4,300-square-foot home, sited on two acres, boasts over 285 feet of waterfront on Coecles Harbor. The centerpiece of the property is the protected boat basin, one of only three on Shelter Island, which has a fully equipped dock with intricate stonework. Penelope Moore of Saunders repped

the seller, while Michaela and Paulina Keszler of Douglas Elliman brought the buyer. The trade occurred in late September.

10) 12 Peconic Avenue | \$3.5 million 18-20 Tuthill Drive | \$3.5 million

Neighboring waterfront lots, one with an 1,800-square-foot home and another vacant, at 18 and 20 Tuthill Drive on Ram Island, traded for \$3.25 million and \$250,000

respectively. Totaling 1.06 acres, the parcels offer a stone bulkhead, more than 150 feet of beachfront and a garage with a studio above. M. Wein Realty represented the listings and Penelope Moore of Saunders brought the buyer. The 4,000-square-foot traditional home at 12 Peconic Avenue on a 1.1-acre property with a sandy path down to Crab Creek and a waterside pool, sold in April. Moore repped both the listing and the buyer.



KNOWN AS FOUR SEAS, THE HOME AT 7 APPLE ORCHARD LANE WAS THE SECOND-HIGHEST SALE OF 2021.









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## INSURANCE ADVISE

9 Ways To Secure Your Home

- I. REINFORCE SLIDING GLASS DOORS You.can use a window bar in the track or mounted to the middle of the door to keep the door from being forced open, or use an electronic sensor that alerts you if the door is opened or if glass is shattered.
- 2. OUTDOOR LIGHTING Crooks hate the spotlight, so keep them away with ample lighting in the backyard, side yard, near the garage, and on the front steps.
- 3. SET UP A SECURITY SYSTEM There are no shortage of home security systems on the market. Central station monitored burglar, fire and low temperature are something every homeowner should have.
- 4. GET IN FOCUS Security cameras work as both a deterrent to would-be burglars and an important evidentiary tool for after a crime has taken place.
- 5. AUTOMATION FOR THE HOME Home automation allows for remote control of lights, locks, cameras, alarms, temperature and other features. This also offers real-time alerts on suspicious activity.
- 6.ELIMINATE HIDING SPOTS Shrubbery might look nice, but it also provides cover for criminals. Trim those bushes
- 7. GARAGE IS KEY Doors and windows aren't the only entry points into homes. So are garages. Take steps to keep it secure.
- 8. LOCK WINDOWS Not sure if your window locks are effective? Install key-operated levers, security film, or bars.
- 9. SECURE DOORS Check the frames, hinges, and knobs of all exterior doors to ensure they are fully functioning

In addition to this column's insurance tip of the week, I want readers to know they can call me for advice, questions or any coverage concerns at any time at 1-866-964-4434.

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## ARTS ENTERTAINMENT



**BOB SCHMITZ** 

#### BY MICHAEL KITAKIS

The mission of the Spirit of Hun-L tington Art Center is simple: To pursue the belief that creative expression ignites a passion in students with special needs and veterans, one that transforms their lives. By providing services for education, vocation and recreation for Huntington and the surrounding community, those attending events and classes leave with their lives changed and spirits lifted by their artistic experiences within the Center, and within themselves. Known as a community hub for art and creative expression for individuals with special needs,

the Center also has a history of featuring works by both well-known and local, established artists that serve to inspire students and the community.

The wonderful painting featured on this week's cover, titled "The Wedding," was created by Bob Schmitz, a local New York artist whose energetic and imaginative style draws the eye again and again into the scenes he portrays.

Originally raised in New York, his father was a commercial artist whose influence strongly motivated Schmitz to pursue art as a career. Following several business ventures, he eventually chose to



**BOB SCHMITZ'S "CONCERT" (OIL ON CANVAS, 26X37")** 

## Art Is at the Heart of the Spirit of Huntington Art Center

set aside his corporate projects and direct his energy toward his passions — painting and sculpting. The results have been brilliant, in more ways than one.

Sculpture was the initial focus for his art. Trained by Elaine Braun of Florida and Greg Johnson, noted sculptor in the Atlanta community, he then worked for years with the famous late sculptor LT Cherokee in New York.

Schmitz's love of art and the development of his style have evolved over his 45 years as an artist. His earlier work grew from studies in drawing and painting under the guidance of accomplished artists and teachers, as his work established his signature style for bright colors and form. His work has been shown in galleries in Atlanta and Stewart, Georgia; Hollywood; Key West, Florida; Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania; and numerous locations in New York. Many of his works are in corporate and private collections nationally and internationally.

In 2011, Schmitz moved to Latin America, dividing his time between Boquete, Panama and more recently, Medellín, Colombia. After spending extended periods in the area, he was motivated to relocate there permanently, drawn by the culture, colors and unique light found in the region as he continued his art. A core inspiration for him as an artist has been Marc Chagall, as witnessed by the abstract expressionism in his later works, incorporating the intense color palette of Latin America. Some of his works may be found at Mango's and Sugar and Spice restaurants, Casa Décor Design Center and the Biblioteca de Boquete in Panama where he maintains a residence.

While his ability to travel is currently limited, he remains in contact with his colleagues, friends, fellow artists and the Spirit of Huntington Art Center, which has a number of his works on display.



"THE DREAM" (OIL ON CANVAS, 36X36")

The Center is located at 2 Melville Road North, Huntington Station, offering classes in art, ceramics, music, dance, and yoga. The signature program ArtWORKS is an innovative vocational program enrolling students in experiential digital art and design courses. ArtWORKS offers graduates a path to careers with companies that need workers with media design and social media management skills.

The Spirit of Huntington Art Center is a 501(c)(3) organization that provides students with special needs and veterans the opportunity for art and creative expression that can transform their lives.

To learn more about the Spirit of Huntington Art Center, visit spiritofhuntington.com.



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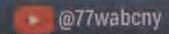
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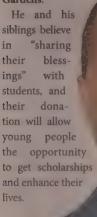
This past week, I met with some people from my past who came back into my life. I met old friend Shep Scheinberg for breakfast and he brought Frank Borges, his fellow graduate of Trinity College.

Impressively, Frank along with his siblings, just donated \$10 million to their mutual beloved college and Shep wanted me to meet him to share his extraordinary life.

Frank shared how he grew up on Cape Verde, a tiny island off the coast of Africa, and came to America when he was 8 years old, living in New Haven, Connecticut, with working class parents who were devoted to giving their children a great

His beloved, passionate mom pushed him and his siblings to go to college and he earned a scholarship to Trinity, where he worked to become a lawyer. He would go on to serve as Connecticut State Treasurer from 1987 to 1993 and then became chair and managing partner of Landmark Partners,

living now in Old Palm in Palm Beach Gardens.



Frank Borges and his family donated \$10 million to Trinity College.

## Who says you can't go back



Both Julie and Hy have since passed, but Larry's sister Ruby and I are reuniting. She lives in Wellington, Florida, giving us an opportunity to walk down memory lane together over dinner in Palm Beach.

To cap off a week of reunions, I had a visit from Gail and Robb Seiden. Gail's beloved dad Nat Bassen was my beloved, too. We were engaged to be married, but two weeks before the wedding, he suffered a fatal heart

Gail and I loved each other, but had only brief moments over the decades since we lost Nat.

When she was in Florida and learned I was launching Dan's Papers Palm Beach, she reached out and we met and talked for hours.

It gave me such pleasure that her son Aidan is studying journalism and is now interning at one of our media outlets, amNewYork Metro.

Interestingly, Robb, Gail's attorney husband, has become an expert on cryptocurrency and the world of law built around it. I stepped into that world as he explained its use and deep belief of it being a currency that will grow and become part of our everyday life. Time will tell!

But my time with them was precious and my heart ached with joy at seeing them both so happy together.

Who says you can't go back in

**Sunday with Ted** Vassilev on his yacht



What an inspirational story! Then, I had dinner with Ruby

Her parents Julie and Hy Teich helped me to create Life's WORC in the 1970s. We marched, picketed and raised funds and had hopes of helping their multi-handicapped son Larry.

I can still remember the day that 6-year-old Larry, came to Life's

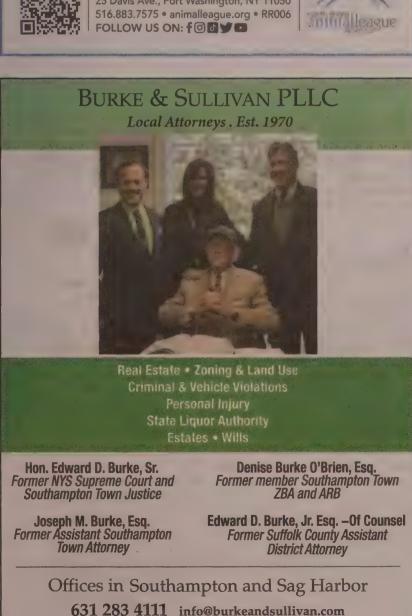
> WORC's Geraldo Rivera Group Home in Little Neck, Queens, with his parents' simple hope of having their son learn how to feed himself.

I'm happy to report that within weeks of Larry's being at the group home, he was indeed feeding himself. His family was eter-

nally grateful.

lunch at The River House in Palm Beach Gardens.







#### WHAT TO DO. WHERE TO GO, WHERE TO PLAY.

## DUT & ABOUT ON THE NORTH FORK



**BUBBLY AND OYSTERS THIS SATURDAY? YES, PLEASE!** 

**CURATED BY REBEKAH YAHOVES** 

#### LIVE SHOWS

#### **CHOCOVINO VALENTINE'S** DAY DINNER AT LONG ISLAND AOUARIUM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 7 P.M. Waltz your sweetheart and your tastebuds over to the Long Island Aquarium, North where you'll enjoy a five-course, chef-inspired gourmet dinner alongside beautiful sea **EVENTS** life. Each course is accompanied by a Raphael Wine vintage and a sweet taste of chocolate. Reservations are required.

431 East Main Street. Riverhead. 631-208-9200, longislandaquarium.com

#### 100 DAYS OF JAZZ AT **SOUND VIEW GREENPORT**

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11 & 12, 7-9 P.M.

Join Sammy Buttons and Bernell Jones as they entertain you in the Piano Bar of the Sound View Inn as part of the 100 Days of Jazz series. You can also find the musicians practicing around the property throughout the weekend!

58775 County Road 48, Greenport. 631-477-1910, soundviewgreenport.com

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#### **OYSTERS & BUBBLES: BLANC DE BLANCS RELEASE PARTY**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, ... NOON-4 P.M.

Join Bedell Cellars for celebration of freshly shucked oysters and half-priced glasses of the newly released 2017 Blanc de Blancs. Bedell is known for its beautiful ambiance and

knowledgeable staff. 36225 Main Road, Southold. 631-734-7537, bedellcellars.com

#### FOR THE LOVE OF BEER VALENTINE'S DAY EVENT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 3-6 P.M. Bring your elegantly paired or fabulously single self over to Greenport Harbor Brewing Co., where you can enjoy superb beers on tap, oysters and live music by New Life Crisis. If you need a gift to take home, have no fear — the event includes bouquets by

True Elizabeth Flowers, treats from Disset Chocolates and jewelry from Joanne Stoecker Design all available for purchase.

42155 Main Road, Peconic. 631-477-1100, greenportharborbrewing.com

#### **GENE CASEY AT THE JAMESPORT FARM BREWERY**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 5 P.M. You won't want to miss the twangy, rockin' sound of Gene Casey or the delicious craft beers at Jamesport Farm Brewery. Admission is \$5 and seating is first-come, first-served. 5873 Sound Avenue, Riverhead. 844-632-2337, jfbrewery.com

#### A BROADWAY VALENTINE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 8 P.M. There's no better way to celebrate Valentine's Day than some fabulous Broadway love songs. Join the Suffolk Theater for an evening of selections from shows like Wicked, Waitress and Jersey Boys. Call ahead to have your favorite wine or Champagne waiting for you when you arrive. 118 East Main Street,

Riverhead. 631-727-4343, suffolktheater.com

#### **FUN ACTIVITIES**

#### MACARON & WINE PAIRING FEATURING PETITE + SWEET MACARONS AT SANNINO

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, NOON Celebrate Valentine's Day in the true East End style by pairing four Petite + Sweet custom macarons with four Sannino Vineyard wines. The cost is \$40 per person and \$34 for wine club members. Purchase your tickets in advance online.

15971 County Road 48, Cutchogue. 631-743-8282, sanninovineyard.com

#### EAST END FOOD MARKET

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 9 A.M.-1 P.M. Stroll through the market every Saturday to sample local food, wine and craft vendors. There is live music, activities and a chance to learn more about the community.

139 Main Road, Riverhead. 631-727-7600, riverheadmarket.org

#### **CULTURAL LANDSCAPE WALKING TOUR: WEST SIDE**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12. 9:30-11:30 P.M.

Enjoy this invigorating walking tour of Hallock State Park Preserve. You'll view historic hedgerows and even stand on the land where Long Island's only battle of the War of 1812 took place. Call ahead for details and reservations. Rain or snow cancels the program.

6062 Sound Avenue, Northville. 631-315-5475, parks.ny.gov/parks/hallock

#### **INTERNATIONAL SPICE & CHEESE WORKSHOP**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2 P.M.

Enjoy this spicy in-person opportunity to learn about fresh and ripened artisanal and farm stand cheeses. You'll also get information on loose herbs and spices from around the world. And yes, samples will be provided!

27550 Main Road, Cutchogue. 631-734-6360, cutchoguelibrary.org

#### **VALENTINE NORTH FORK COUNTRY BARN DANCE**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 7:30-10:30 P.M.

Swing your sweetheart on over to Spirit's Promise Equine Rescue, where you'll learn new line-dancing moves and enjoy the beautiful barn atmosphere. Tickets are \$15 and you can feel free to bring your own snacks

#### OUT & ABOUT ON THE NORTH FORK



EILEEN KELLY'S "THE JOURNEY WITHIN" (MIXED MEDIA, ACRYLIC AND IMPASTO PAINTING, 22 X 56 IN) — INSPIRED BY THE FIRST DAN'S PAPERS ART COVER FROM SEPTEMBER 11, 1987 BY ELAINE DE KOONING — IS ON VIEW AT EAST END ARTS.

and drinks.

2746 Sound Avenue, Baiting Hollow. 631-875-0433, spiritspromise.com

#### **CUPCAKES & WINE AT PINDAR**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, NOON-3 P.M. This event brings together two North Fork classics: three handmade cupcakes from the Blue Duck Bakery carefully paired with three Pindar Vineyards wines. There are three seatings but space is limited. Advanced

registration is required. 37645 Main Road, Peconic. 631-734-6200, pindar.net

### WINE & CHOCOLATE TASTING AT CLOVIS POINT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, NOON-6:30 P.M.

What better way to celebrate Valentine's Day than with a little wine and chocolate? You and your heart's pairing can head on over to Clovis Point Vineyard, where your favorite glasses of bubbly will be matched with sweet treats from North Fork Chocolate Company. Tickets are \$25 and \$20 for Wine Club members. Be sure to register ahead of time.

1935 Main Road, Laurel. 631-722-4222, clovispointwines.com

### CHOCOLATE & WINE WITH DISSET CHOCOLATE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1–2:30 P.M. Ring in Valentine's Day in style at Rose Hill Vineyards & Inn, where your \$55 ticket will get you four wines and a piece of chocolate exclusively designed to go with each one. You'll also enjoy conversations with experts on chocolates and winemaking. Register online ahead of time.

2000 Oregon Road, Mattituck. 631-804-0367, dissetchocolate.com



THERE ARE PLENTY OF MEMORY-MAKING WAYS TO SPEND VALENTINE'S DAY ON THE NORTH FORK THIS WEEK!

#### **VIRTUAL EVENTS**

### FRIDAY NIGHT DIALOGUE: THE LEIBER COLLECTION

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 7-8 P.M.

Join Ann Fristoe Stewart, museum director and curator of the Leiber Collection, as she leads a virtual presentation exploring the love and creativity of a fascinating couple. Their work includes sculptures, crystal-covered handbags and landscapes.

37 North Ferry Road, Shelter Island. 631-749-0042, shelterislandpubliclibrary.org

#### **CHAIR & RESTORATIVE YOGA**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 10-11:15 A.M.

Chair yoga can help you to improve your mood, flexibility and blood pressure. The event is a hybrid, and you can register ahead of time for Zoom info. Be sure to bring a yoga mat, towel and chair to the meeting. 53709 Main Road, Southold. 631-765-2077, southoldlibrary.org

### PREVENT THE EVENTS: BE HEART SMART ON ZOOM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 7-8 P.M.
Join Dr. Guy Mintz, Northwell Health's director of cardiovascular health and lipidology, as he talks about risk factors for heart disease, as well as diagnostic tests and treatments. Register ahead of time for Zoom info.

13900 Main Road,

Mattituck. 631-298-4134, mattitucklaurellibrary.org

#### ART EXHIBITIONS

### VALENTINE'S ANTIQUES FINE ART & CRAFT'S FAIR

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 9 A.M.-4 P.M.

The Old Town Arts & Crafts Guild presents a Valentine's Day fair at the Peconic Recreation Center. Exhibits include photography, pottery, jewelry, quilts, knits, silver, vintage treasures and more. Admission is free, and refreshments are available.

970 Peconic Lane, Peconic. 631-734-6382, oldtownguild.org

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ed States. The museum is open Friday through Sunday from noon-5 p.m. or by appointment.

25425 Main Road, Cutchogue. 631-734-8545, alexferronegallery.com

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133 East Main Street, Riverhead. 631-727-0900, eastendarts.org

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#### LIVE SHOWS

#### SHINE THRU PARADE AND WINTER SOIREE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 4-5 P.M.

Night to Shine is an unforgettable prom night extravaganza for those with special needs ages 14 and older. This year's celebration is an outdoor drive-thru experience featuring a photo booth, tasty treats Station to get fitted for your Gazelle Ul-

and a variety of performers. It's followed directly by the Winter Soirée at The Muses, which Hamptons is an evening of dancing, music and dinner.

111 St. Andrew's Road, Southampton. 631-283-6168,

lisa@luvmichael.com, timtebowfoundation.org/ministries/ night-to-shine

#### LIVE MUSIC FEATURING **CHRISTIAAN PADAVAN** AT COWFISH

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 6-9 P.M. Grab your sweetheart and splash on over to Cowfish, where the view is lovely and the cuisine is delightful. This week, enjoy live music by Christiaan Padavan, a singer-songwriter, Hampton Bays resident and former contestant on American Idol. 258 Montauk Highway, Hampton Bays. 631-594-3868, cowfishrestaurant.com

#### **FUN ACTIVITIES**

#### MONTAUK POINT **ELECTRIC BIKE TOUR**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12,

9 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

**EVENTS** 

Speed on over to the Montauk LIRR timate C380 eBike. Next, you'll

> pedal to the high-elevation Fort Hill Overlook, taking in breathtaking views of Montauk, Gardiner's Island and the Atlantic Ocean. Your tour will then take you to Camp Hero State Park and the Montauk Lighthouse before

you return to your starting point. 1 Fort Pond Road, Montauk. electricbikesagogo.com

#### **QUOGUE REFUGE WALK**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 10 A.M. View everything from lowland pines to dwarf pines on this special hike. The land is flat and appropriate for beginner or intermediate hikers. Rain or snow will cancel.

3 Old Country Road, Quogue. 631-567-9484, ligreenbelt.org

#### **HEART OPENING THROUGH BACKBENDS WITH SHERYL**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1-3 P.M. Join the Mandala Yoga Center for Healing Arts for a different kind of Valentine's Day treat. You'll work on both fundamental and complex backbends, sometimes using props like bolsters, blocks and chairs. A livestream option is also available. This class is for those who have been practicing yoga for at least one year.

10 Amagansett Square Drive, Amagansett. 631-267-6144, mandalayoga.com

#### MONTAUK STATE PARK **SEAL HIKE**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1-3 P.M. Bring your binoculars for this special event, where you will hike around 3 miles, viewing plenty of birds and marine life. Tickets are \$4 and you can register ahead of time. Be sure to dress appropriately for outdoor trekking! 2000 Old Montauk Highway, Montauk. parks.ny.gov/parks/61

#### **VIRTUAL EVENTS**

#### **MONDAY YOGA** WITH MICHELLE BEEBEE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 10:15-11:15 A.M.

Yoga can help you to lose weight, gain flexibility and generally feel fabulous. Register in advance for this Zoom session with the Rogers Memorial Library and a Zoom code and password will be emailed to you before the event. 91 Coopers Farm Road, Southampton. 631-283-0774, myrml.org

#### ART EXHIBITIONS

#### PICTURES IN PICTURES: SELECTIONS FROM THE PERMANENT COLLECTION

ON VIEW THROUGH FEBRUARY 27 This curated exhibition at the Parrish Art Museum features works from the Permanent Collection that include secondary images of other paintings. They may be the artist's own works, creations by contemporaries or reproductions of historical art. All visitors ages 18 and over must show proof of vaccination.

279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. 631-283-2118, parrishart.org

#### DREAM HORIZONS AN AAEH MEMBERS VIRTUAL ART EXHIBITION

ON VIEW THROUGH FEBRUARY 28 Don't miss this virtual event hosted by the Artists Alliance of East Hampton from the comfort of your home. The works explore the magic of watercolor, tempera and oils. The online format allows you to view several works from each artist you take an interest in. 110.8 Springs Fireplace Road, East Hampton. 631-324-2225, artistsalliance-easthampton-virtual.org/ the-artists

#### INDIGENOUS ART NOW

ON VIEW THROUGH APRIL 9 Enjoy this multimedia exhibition presented by the Southampton Arts Center that explores Shinnecock artists together with Indigenous creatives from a wide array of sovereign nations. The works explore native issues that include triumphs and struggles. 25 Jobs Lane, Southampton. 631-283-0967,

southamptonartscenter.org



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## OUT & ABOUT WITH THE KIDS

**CURATED BY REBEKAH YAHOVES** 

#### **TOP 5 FAMILY EVENTS TO CHECK OUT THIS WEEK**

#### **WEEKEND TAKE & MAKE VALENTINE'S DAY CHIP ART**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 3-5 P.M.

Teens can skip on over to the YA Room at the East Hampton Library to pick up a Take & Make Valentine's to-go craft. The project is for high school students and is available on a first-come, firstserved basis.

159 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-0222, easthamptonlibrary.org

#### **COOKING WITH ROB:** SWEET STRAWBERRY VALENTINE'S DAY BREAD

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1:30-2:30 P.M.

Kiddos young and old will enjoy baking this scrumptious treat with their entire family. Register ahead of time with the Westhampton Free Library and you can pick up a kit with all of your dry ingredients. A video link will also be provided.

7 Library Avenue, Westhampton Beach. 631-288-3335, westhamptonlibrary.net

#### PRINCESS TEA PARTY AT LONG ISLAND AQUARIUM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13. 10 A.M., 2:30 P.M. & 3 P.M.

Take your little Valentine over to the Long Island Aquarium, where they will dance and sing along with all of their favorite princess songs. Enjoy formal white-glove tea service, finger sandwiches and sweets. You'll also get discounted tickets for the museum, so enjoy some colorful fish and birds while you are there.

431 East Main Street, Riverhead. 631-208-9200, longislandaquarium.com

#### THE GREAT LIBRARY BAKE OFF

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 3:30 P.M. Your teen ean join the Hampton Bays Public Library live for a series of decorating challenges using a variety of baked goods. Even those who don't win can sample the tasty creations. 52 Ponquogue Avenue, Hampton Bays. 631-728-6241, teen@hamptonbayslibrary.org, hamptonbayslibrary.org

#### **BALLET & TAP 101**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 3:45 P.M. If your little dancers ages 3-6 love to twirl and boogie, they won't want to miss out on this interactive session. Kiddos will learn vocabulary while engaging in expressive movement and play. A single session is \$25 and you can register online ahead of time.

92 Three Mile Harbor Road, East Hampton. 631-655-4586, projectmost.org/ workshops-events

#### **FAMILY FUN** ATTRACTIONS ON THE EAST END

#### **BUCKSKILL WINTER CLUB**

Strap on your skates and glide on over to Buckskill, where there is public skating, rentals and skate sharpening available. Keep an eye out for special discounts for seniors and children. 178 Buckskill Road, East Hampton. 631-324-2243, buckskillwinterclub.com

#### CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF THE EAST END

Learn about ships, windmills and creating your own farm at this favorite East End children's destination. Mini golf is free with admission! This season, however, you'll need to call ahead of time to make a reservation. 376 Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike, Bridgehampton. 631-537-8250, cmee.org

#### **GOLDBERG'S FAMOUS BAGELS**

Locals rave about this favorite that's been around for over 70 years. Bagels, flats, breakfast sandwiches and omelets make it a great spot to take your brood for the most important meal of the day on a cold winter morning. 801 County Road 39, Southampton. 631-204-1046, theoriginal goldbergs bagels.com

#### MITCHELL PARK

Bring your little gliders over to Mitchell Park, where they can enjoy an ice skating rink and antique carousel. Public sessions are Monday through Friday from 3-5 p.m. and on the weekends from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. The iceskating rink's availability is weatherdependent. While you're there, check out the Greenport Carousel, which is open from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays in the winter. 236 Third Street, Greenport. 631-477-2200, villageofgreenport.org

#### **NICK & TONI'S**

If you're looking for a great night out with the kiddos, enjoy the plentiful,



family-style feasts at Nick & Toni's, an East Hampton favorite. Guests rave about the attentive service and fresh ingredients.

136 North Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-3550, nickandtonis.com

#### **NORTH FORK DOUGHNUT** COMPANY

Roll your family over to this North Fork favorite for delicious doughnuts made fresh every day. Get your fingers on delicious seasonal flavors like churro, cinnamon sugar and black raspberry jelly.

100 Love Lane, Mattituck. 631-298-7941, nofodoco.com

#### RUSCHMEYER'S

The wood-burning oven and lickyour fingers skewers beg for families to come to visit. The menu frequently changes and includes things like artisan pizzas and skirt steak.

161 Second House Road, Montauk. 631-288-2877, ruschmeyersmontauk.com

Take your hungry kiddos over to Sam's in East Hampton for some serious eating after a day of East End fun. The menu includes pizzas, homemade soups and pasta.

36 Newtown Lane, East Hampton. 631-324-5900, samseasthampton.com

#### WEDNESDAY'S TABLE

Parents rave about the kid-friendly eats at Wednesday's Table. Little diner options include riffs on mac and cheese, toasted PB&J and jumbo hot dogs. There are also plenty of fun keep-you-warm drinks like flavored hot chocolate and mulled apple cider. 53345 Main Road, Southold. 631-876-5251, wednesdays-table.com

#### THE WHARF SHOP

Parents and young folks who can't get enough of that vintage toy shop feel will relish in a trip to this Sag Harbor favorite. Collections of crafts, stuffed animals and mini dollhouses make this a must-see for collectors or those looking for a great gift.

69A Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-0420, wharfshop.com

## FOOD & DRINK

## Valentine's Dates, Super Bowl BBQ & More



CHEF DOUG FORGIONE

BY HARRY POWERS

This week's recipe is courtesy of Gurney's Montauk Chef Doug Forgione. You may recognize that last name as his uncle, Larry, has been dubbed the godfather of American cooking. Pressure much? Seems like Doug is doing just fine out of his uncle's shadow. Try your hand at this fun recipe, but first, check out this week's East End foodie news bites.

MTK Lobster House on Main Street in Sag Harbor has announced they will reopen their Sag Harbor location for the 2022 season on Friday, February 11. The restaurant will celebrate their re-opening with a special Valentine's Day prix fixe menu that will be available from Friday, February

11 through Monday, February 14. Cost for the prix fixe is \$45 per person and includes choice of an appetizer, entrée and glass of selected wine or warm chocolate cake with vanilla ice cream. Tax and gratuity are not included. Look for items such as lobster bisque or oysters Rockefeller; among entrée choices, try pan roasted cod, shrimp linguine or a cold or warm lobster roll with French fries. Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling the restaurant directly at 631-808-3639. The restaurant will be open Thursday through Sunday from noon to 9 p.m. The Montauk location will open in March. James Carpenter is the talented chef.

Nick & Toni's will offer a special prix fixe menu for Valentine's Day on Monday, February 14 of three courses for \$100 per person. Look for an amuse to start the evening and then such antipasti selections as Maine lobster bisque, grilled Montauk Pearl ovster or local fluke crudo. Entrée options include free range chicken, bigeye tuna, Wagyu strip steak, oven-roasted lamb chops and seared jumbo prawns. Desserts include ricotta and blood orange cake, mascarpone gelato and pistachio budino among other selections. Reservations are suggested and may be made online at nickandtonis.com or by calling 631-324-3550.

With Super Bowl Sunday upon us,

check out the barbecue offerings at TownLine BBQ, especially if you're expecting a crowd. Look for pulled pork sandwich kits that come with pork, bread or buns, coleslaw, pickles, baked beans and chips and serve four to eight people.

Other options include nachos with pulled pork, chicken — or their veggie nachos made with jack

fruit. The Sagaponack restaurant will be open from noon to 10 p.m. Call 631-537-BBQ1 for orders. For a fun "Galentine's" happy hour or light-hearted date in the heart of Bridgehampton, visit Elaia Estiatorio for their daily \$1 oyster happy

hour of locally sourced; fresh oysters. Also, you should already know that the **Bridgehampton Inn** on Main Street and **Loaves and Fishes** in Sagaponack have reopened after their winter break

This Valentine's Day weekend, the cozy **Highway Restaurant & Bar** is offering Asian specials for date night from February 10 to 13, alongside an Asian takeout package for those looking to enjoy a cozy night in. For \$180 per takeaway package, which serves two people, guests can enjoy crispy duck, chicken and cabbage dumplings, papaya and crab salad, spicy tuna tar-

tare, peanut noodles, Thai chicken stir

fry and bok choy.

Did You Know: You can get Duryea's famous lobster cobb salad at

Lulu Kitchen in Sag Harbor in the off-season!

Bits & Bites: We wish Joe Gonzalez, the longtime barkeep at Rowdy Hall, best of luck in his new endeavors.

The man ruled the "copper beacon" since Rowdy opened in 1996!

Fun Food Fact: Sunday, February 13 is National Italian Food Day!

**Food Quote:** "One cannot think well, love well, sleep well, if one has not dined well." ~Virginia Woolf

Got a restaurant news item or tip? Email us at dansfoodseen@gmail. com!



**TOWNLINE BBQ'S SUPER BOWL PACKAGE** 

#### Recipe: Gurney's Montauk Bananas Foster French Toast by Chef Doug Forgione

#### **Batter Ingredients:**

- 6 Large eggs
- 1 ½ Cups whole milk
- 2 Tbsp dark rum
- 1 Tbsp vanilla extract

8 Slices of soft brioche bread, approximately 1 1/2" thick

**Directions:** Combine all the ingredients except for the bread together using a whisk. Pour the batter into a 9×13" casserole dish. Place the bread in the batter and set aside.

#### **Banana Fosters Syrup Ingredients:**

- 4 Ripe bananas cut in half lengthwise
- 1 Cup dark brown sugar
- 1/2 Cup dark rum
- 3 Cups maple syrup
- 1 Cinnamon stick
- 4 Tbsp butter, unsalted

**Directions:** Brown 2 tbsp of butter in a medium sauté pan with the cinnamon stick and the halved bananas; the cinnamon stick will toast lightly in the pan while the

butter browns and the bananas caramelize. Remove the bananas from the pan after caramelizing and set aside. Add the dark rum, dark brown sugar and maple syrup, combine with a whisk on low/medium heat until the sugar dissolves. Remove the cinnamon stick before serving, add the remaining 2 tbsp of butter and whisk if the sauce appears broken. Return the bananas to the sauce to keep warm.

#### **Banana Brittle Ingredients:**

- 8 Bananas, peeled
- 2 Cups agave syrup
- 3 Cups sweet shredded coconut flakes
- 3 Cups chopped almonds, toasted
- 1 Tbsp vanilla extract
- Powdered cinnamon
- Flaky sea salt

**Directions:** Puree the bananas and agave with the vanilla extract until smooth, fold the chopped almonds and coconut flakes together with the banana puree. Evenly spread the mixture onto a non-stick baking mat

and season the top with powdered cinnamon and flaky sea salt. Dehydrate the banana brittle overnight at 110 degrees. When the brittle is dry, break it into bite-size pieces.

To Assemble: Pre-heat a large sauté pan on medium heat and grease the pan

with one the potential with one the butter is melted, add two thick slices of the saturated brioche, toast the brioche until golden brown, flip and repeat for the second side, continue this process until all 8 slices are beautifully caramelized. Place 2 pieces of French toast on a plate, top with the banana fosters sauce, caramelized bananas and banana crumble and any other toppings you like.

~This recipe comes to us courtesy of Gurney's Montauk, gurneysresorts.com/montauk



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Something to Wine About:

## 2020 Sparkling Jolie Cabernet Franc

BY LINDA DELMONICO PRUSSEN

Whether you're celebrating Valentine's Day, "Galentine's Day" or just another day in February desperately in need of some brightening, Croteaux Vineyards' 2020 Sparkling Jolie Cabernet Franc is the perfect wine for the task.

This is not your classic, pale pink spring rosé. Using what really has come to be known as one of Long Island's premier, signature grapes, cabernet Franc, Croteaux winemaker Alie Shaper crafted a boldly colored, deep pink, celebratory sparkler that has a lovely universal appeal. The nose is resplendent with notes of strawberry. The palate is rich with notes of fresh raspberry and strawberry. The wine is delightfully dry, the bubbles are lively, and the finish is persistent.

The 2020 Sparkling Jolie Cabernet Franc illustrates just how versatile the cabernet Franc grape can be. According to Shaper, "The Cabernet Franc was crushed and soaked on its skins for 12 hours before pressing, to extract color for our darkest

rosé. The cool fermentation lasted 18 days, after which the wine was settled and racked, subsequently blended with a quantity of Merlot rosé to broaden the flavor profile and deepen the color further. After fining and stabilization, the wine was carbonated and bottled."

Though the wine is not produced in the traditional méthode champenoise, where the second fermentation occurs in the bottle to produce bubbles, it also doesn't come with the traditional méthode champenoise price tag. Retailing at only \$35, with a bottle that's truly a work of art, this is the perfect wine to bring as a hostess gift or to simply serve with friends and loved ones. Being a rosé, it has the advantage of pairing easily with everything from salads, and appetizers, and party foods, to simple and fun main courses. And if you want to keep a sparkling wine on hand, this is the one to stock.

Croteaux Vineyards is located at 1450 South Harbor Road, Southold. For more information, call 631-765-6099 or visit croteaux.com.



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Spread Seeds of Love for the East End This Valentine's Day

BY TAYLOR K. VECSEY

D uring the COVID-19 pandemic, the real estate brought many people to the East End for space and privacy, but what keeps them here, and has always attracted people here, is the natural coastal beauty. This Valentine's Day, why not sprinkle some love not only on your sweetheart, but on the environment, too?

The Cornell Cooperative Extension Marine Program is giving away its "SEAd Bomb Kits," meant to help restore wildflowers and coastal grasses that are important for maintaining marine habitats. As part of the Valentine's Day promotion, the extension is giving away a kit every week until Monday, but they are also available for purchase anytime.

"Habitat is so essential to all the species that both reside here, and stop off to visit us on their migratory paths," says Kimberly Barbour, the outreach manager and senior resource educator at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Marine Program. "We at Cornell conduct very extensive coastal and marine habitat restoration projects to

enhance our eelgrass meadows and marshes, but we can all play a part in this important work!"

With the kits, Barbour's team hoped to "create a fun, meaningful stewardship project for people to take part in on their own time," she explains. "Creating even a very small garden of coastal plants and wildflowers in your backyard using our SEAd Bomb Kits can make a difference."

The spring/summer kit has many native perennials, native little bluestem grass and a variety of annual seeds in the mix, including purple coneflower, New England aster, blackeyed Susan, common milkweed and poppies. The perennial native plants that will grow from the seed bombs attract pollinators as food and habitat sources, as well as help to prevent erosion. The annual plants provide nectar for successive monarch generations, for instance. The plants also provide seeds for birds to eat. The seeds have to be thrown between the beginning of May and the Fourth of July.

The fall/winter seed bombs have to be thrown or planted outside between December and the end of March. They



MARINE PROGRAM'S SEAD BOMB KITS HELP RESTORE THE NATURAL HABITAT.

include common milkweed, butterfly weed and little bluestem grass. The kits come with an educational booklet, a marine habitat fact card and clay flour and compost.

Barbour says the marine program first came up with the idea of a kit in 2020 when there was a shift in education and outreach efforts, from in-person formats to a remote approach due to the COVID-19 pandemic. They wanted to come up with a way to reach people without them having to sit in front of the screen.

"There was way too much of that going on between remote school and Zoom meetings, so we decided to adapt curriculum and stewardship projects to a "kit" format, enabling hands-on learning experiences that were self-guided and able to be done in your backyard or at your favorite beach or park," she says.

The first kits were focused on providing an alternative to the East End Marine Camps that were canceled that first summer during the pandemic. From there, she says, "We grew the kit line to include several topics, all including science-based activities and art projects centered around the species and habitats we work with at CCE Marine Program."

The SEAd Bomb Kits are newer additions to the program's educational kit lineup, created less than a year ago. Already hundreds have been utilized

**SEEDS OF LOVE** 

in extension's school programs and sold on the Back to the Bays Market-place, she says. The kits are \$25.

To enter to win a kit, just visit the program's Instagram page, @ccmarineprogram, for the rules. The page announces the final winner on Sunday night, February 13.

"This Valentine's Day promo has given sales a good boost, too — people are really getting behind the 'Spread Seeds of Love' campaign!" she says. "We have had orders go out to people throughout the East End, primarily, but also filled orders going as far west as the city and will continue to offer programs centered on using the kits to libraries, schools and scout groups throughout the year."

For those inspired to further help the Cornell Cooperative Extension restore habitat, the organization is planning some community seeding and planting events at its Tiana Bayside Facility starting this spring.

More information can be found at backtothebays.org/volunteer.



#### EAST END LIVING

### Good Intentions and Bitter Disappointments:

## The Uncompassionate Side of Bail Reform

BY PETER MICHALOS, MD

As a young physician trying to pay back my medical school loans, I worked at Rikers Island, the Manhattan house of detention, and "the barge," the floating prison that was parked in the East River during the peak of the crack epidemic and AIDS crisis. During my time there, I got an insider's look at the prison population in New York City and became well acquainted with its medical profile.

Here is what I saw: A significant portion of crimes in the city are committed by substance abusers and people with mental illness. There's no denying it.

The problem started decades ago, when Gov. Hugh Carey began closing the in-patient psychiatric and mental health hospitals. Back in 1955, way before Carey, the total adult in-patient census, excluding forensic cases, numbered 93,314. Today, it's just a little more than 2,200. This shift to an outpatient-oriented approach is often referred to as "deinstitutionalization." In my opinion, it's been a total failure.

The governor's intentions were good — at the in-patient facilities, compassion was lacking and finances were a disaster. But no one seems to have ever thought logically and realistically about next steps — what to do with the thousands of patients who were suddenly out on the street, on their own, with no support system or supervision.

The hope was that patients would regularly attend their outpatient visits and take their psychiatric medications. It turns out that hope was monumentally naive. These people

tally naive. These people
need compassionate, supervised
inpatient substance abuse detox and psychiatric
treatment. Outpatient treatment doesn't work in this
passional
patient population. Period.

Which brings us, sadly, to New York's newly enacted bail-reform law. Back when I worked in the city's prison system, way before our bail reform fiasco, a person who was arrested was screened for a complete medical history, which included a physical, bloodwork and cultures for sexually transmitted diseases.

Countless cases of syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia, herpes, AIDS, cancer, tuberculosis, depression, schizophrenia, anxiety, high blood pressure and heart disease were discovered during these screenings. Arrestees received their antibiotics, antivirals, heart medications, antidepressants, anxiety medicine and whatever other basic medical needs that were warranted.

This was compassionate care. It also protected public health and safety by reducing the spread of untreated sexual and other communicable diseases. And, frankly, it kept a lot of very potentially dangerous people off the street — at least for a while.

Under the current bail reform law however, people who are newly arrested — a significant percentage of them with the aforementioned mental health and substance abuse issues — are quickly released back onto the street within hours, in revolving door fashion, without a medical screening, a follow-up appointment



for any services or even a shower. And the judges have zero discretion to hold them, even if they're obviously dangerous to themselves and the public.

Let's be clear: Bail reform in its current incarnation is not compassionate. Far from it. It's misguided and ill-conceived. And it puts the public's health and safety, as well as the health and safety of the person who

> is arrested, at risk. And we wonder why they return to the street to push straphangers off subway platforms, stab people, rob people, urinate and defecate on the street, spreading disease.

So what's the solution? How can we provide compassionate care while keeping the public safe from harm? They don't have to be mutually exclusive.

So what's the solution? How can we provide compassionate care while keeping the public safe from harm?

Let's start on Rikers Island. How about if we convert one of the buildings on the island into a mental health hospital and clinic to treat the various disorders that lead so many people to commit crimes. Before being released from Rikers, they'd need to pass through the health center to be evaluated and get starter medicines, see a social worker and be given appointments to outpatient clinics.

Perhaps it could be modeled after the Bellevue Hospital prison ward. The ward, a model medical facility, provides outstanding care to inmates who require in-patient hospitalizations. Its current medical chairperson is a national thought leader on prison medicine whose book chapter is often cited.

At least it's a start

A word about gun violence: In New York City, 95% of the guns used in crimes are illegal guns. Most come up from down South via the I-95 corridor, often called the "Iron Pipeline." There's no accurate count of illegal guns in the city, but estimates range from the tens of thousands to, well, lots more.

Many well-meaning people are crying out for stricter gun laws. But stricter laws won't solve the gun problem in New York City. The city already has extraordinarily rigorous gun permitting requirements, and it's had virtually zero effect on gun crime. The fact is, guns, knives or clubs are only tools. But in the hands of the wrong people, they become deadly weapons. If we don't address mental health and substance abuse, there will be no light at the end of the tunnel. In fact, it won't be a tunnel, just the barrel of a gun.

Stop and frisk worked at reducing gun crime but was deemed too aggressive. I suggest using new handheld scanning technology and institute stop and scan procedures to help take illegal guns off the street.

There are probably many other commonsense solutions to reducing gun crime — solutions that would work effectively without infringing on citizens' rights. But it'll take smarts and determination to come up with them.

Let's pray that our elected leaders have the courage to implement them.

#### EAST END LIVING

Ask Beatty:

# Never Make a Mistake in Love Again (*Part 2*)

BY BEATTY COHAN, MSW, LCSW, AASECT

Are you tired, frustrated and confused with relationships that go nowhere and don't know why you always seem to end up with Mr. or Ms. WRONG? In my "Never Make a Mistake in Love Again Part 1" article, (February 4, 2022), I promised you that I would teach you my 10-step formula for assessing whose right or wrong for you BEFORE committing to any serious relationship.

mitting to any serious relationship. This formula is based on research that I conducted with 450 people in the Boston, Providence and Connecticut areas, which culminated in my book For Better for Worse Forever: Discover the Path to Lasting Love. My formula has successfully been used by thousands of men and women around the world. While it's not sexy or romantic, it gives you the tools to come up with an honest and accurate evaluation about who your partner is and is not. My research found that it takes six months to a year using my formula to do a thorough assessment. I promise you that if you put these principles to the test, you will be able to recognize a truly healthy relationship and avoid the disasters that too many men and women encounter.

#### THE FORMULA

- 1. Predicting the Future (Family Background): Family background is the first place to look for relationship programming. We first learn about relationships as children and many of us unconsciously play out problems rooted in our family of origin. UNLESS we are willing to acknowledge, address and take whatever steps are necessary to resolve these conflicts and problems, they will continuously play out in our adult relationships.
- 2. Lurking Around the Corner (Skeletons in the Closet): The incidence of sexually transmitted diseases is skyrocketing and yet most

people will not request (and receive) a written clean bill of health from their partner's doctor before engaging in sex. You need to learn to recognize signs of alcoholism and other kinds of substance abuse, because neither the

alcoholic nor the drug abuser is a good candidate for any relationship. Learning how to identify verbal, emotional and physical abuse is critical. Knowledge will help you EXIT quickly if you are aware that you are at risk.

- 3. More Skeletons Lurking: You need to learn to identify the signs and symptoms of depression, anxiety and other psychiatric disorders. While the clues are always there, these problems are often invisible to the untrained eye and ear, and are major obstacles to a successful relationship.
- 4. Listening Carefully (Did You Hear What I Said?): Everyone talks about the importance of communication. However, the majority of people have simply not learned the necessary skills in order to be able to communicate effectively. How well (or how badly) you and your partner are able to express emotions like love, fear, disappointment, anger and pain can and will make or break your relationship.
- 5. The Art of Compromise (Problem-Solving): This is the most crucial of the key ingredients. Why? Because this skill will help you deal with situations in all areas of your relationship. Even the most harmonious relationships have conflicts that need to be worked out fairly and openly. It is essential to discover your partner's attitude and level of skill in dealing with conflict and compromise early on in your relationship.
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First, what do I want and need in a

relationship?

Next, what do I NOT want or need in a relationship?

Finally, how would I describe the reality of my relationship.

Certain compromises and trade-offs will have to be made in any relationship. You must be careful, however, to never accept or tolerate abuse of any kind, lack of emotional intimacy, and poor communication and problem-solving skills.

Whether you decide to move forward or end your relationship, I hope you feel proud of yourself for having had the courage to go through this indepth process.

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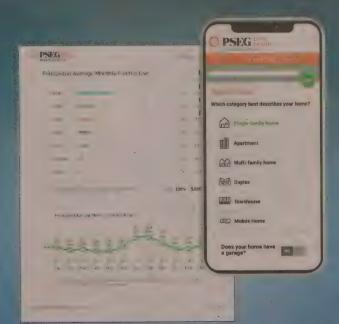
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#### **OBITUARY**

## Southampton Fresh Air Home Advocate Kirsten Ann Solsvig Galef Has Died

Kirsten Ann Solsvig Galef, a leading advocate for the Southampton Fresh Air Home, passed away on January 30 at her home in Southampton. She was 64.

Born September 3, 1957, Galef was raised in Wauwatosa, WI, the second of two children to Beverly and Curtis Solsvig. She attended Fisher Elementary School across from the family home, where her mother, Beverly, taught first grade. The family regularly attended Sunday services at the local Methodist church, at which her father, Curtis, an insurance agent, was a trustee.

After graduating from Wauwatosa West High School, she left Wisconsin and attended Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts, graduating in 1979. Upon graduation, Galef went into the travel business in New York City, where she founded and built a company organizing musical groups' overseas tours, including the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

In New York, she met the love of her life, James M. Galef, a young investment banker at the time who later became a successful private investor, and they married in 1988. The couple loved traveling together and spending summers in Southampton. They had five children who they raised in Greenwich, CT in a warm home full of love.

Jim tragically died in a 2004 plane crash, and Galef raised their five children, ages 2–15, on her own with complete devotion and love, seeing them through the ups and downs of childhood and adolescence. She had a rich life outside her household, with many wonderful and supportive friends, and was a beloved member of the Greenwich Garden Club, the LOSTS Investment Club in Greenwich, and the Putnam Hill Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Galef's great passion was the Southampton Fresh Air Home, which

provides year-round recreational and educational programs for children and young adults with physical disabilities. She joined the board in 2001. She served as board president from 2016–2018 and later continued as a board co-chair. Galef was head of the development committee for more than a decade, and served on the finance and audit committees. She was integral in the rebuilding of the campus main building, chairing fundraising events and many other projects.

She was also a talented home designer, working with architects on three large-scale home renovation projects, including a home in Greenwich that was featured as one of *The Wall Street Journal's* Homes of the Week. She has been hailed by colleagues as the most independent, strong-willed and creative person they have ever worked with. Her aesthetic eye was unparalleled, and this was most evident in her talent for landscape design. She spent many



**KIRSTEN ANN SOLSVIG GALEF** 

sunny mornings in her gardens with her children and beloved dogs.

Galef will be missed by her family and many friends who called her a force of nature, and noted they are all diminished by her loss.

She is survived by her five children, Lily, Ben, Annabelle, Charlotte and James Galef and her brother Curtis G. Solsvig III.

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### How to Choose the Best Wallpaper Design for Any Space

Thinking about using wallpaper to transform your walls from drab to fab? You're in good company. Wallpaper's popularity is on the rise in both residential and commercial spaces, and gaining an edge over paint.

Why? Experts believe this trend reflects a growing recognition of wallpaper's unique benefits. It's cost-effective, protects the wall surface from accidental marks and scratches, and offers personalized self-expression at a reasonable price.

"There's a perfect wallpaper for every room at every price point," Southold-based Wallace Design House says on its website. "Elevate your interior with exceptional wallcoverings. Celebrate with a feature wall, or dabble in the dramatics with a full room wall covering."

Wallpaper makers agree.

"We experienced consistent monthover-month wallpaper sales increases throughout 2021," says Michael Jones, general manager of Spoonflower, a leading custom, print-on-demand wallpaper and home decor digital marketplace. "We attribute this to consumers' growing desire to customize their spaces with designs that reflect their personal style and aesthetic preferences, while retaining the option to change things up as frequently as desired with removable wallpaper."

According to Jones, there are a few things to keep in mind when choosing the right wallpaper for your space. Here, he offers a few insights to help you get started:

First, determine how long you'd like the wallpaper to remain on your walls. Some types of wallpaper are more suitable for long-term use and others are best for those who wish to change their designs with the seasons or on a whim. For this reason, Spoonflower offers three types of wallpaper:

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- 2. Peel and Stick Removable Woven: Removable and repositionable, this option won't leave a residue

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3. Traditional Pebble: This traditional wallpaper has a subtle leathered texture, matte finish, is paste-activated and is highly durable. Not only is it PVC-free, it is also moisture resistant.

#### DESIGN

To take the guesswork out of wallpaper design selection, consider heading to a wallpaper digital marketplace. In the case of Spoonflower, which features over 1 million designs, the biggest challenge you'll face is the enormity of selection. However, you can easily narrow down your choices by searching for designs based on category keywords, color or by styles, such as Mid-Century Modern, Cottagecore or Paisley. For those with a specific design already envisioned, the site even allows you to upload your own design and have it custom printed on wallpaper.

Before committing, consider or-

dering two or three swatches so you can compare them in your own space and assess the best fit. This can help ensure your final design

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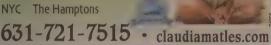
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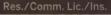
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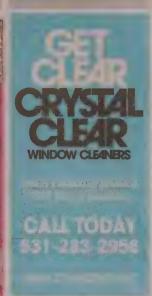
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Ray Tierney:

## Suffolk's New Top Prosecutor

BY TODD SHAPIRO

R aymond A. Tierney is a seasoned and experienced prosecutor with a tough-on-crime mentality, and now he holds the title of Suffolk County District Attorney.

An independent who was endorsed by both the Republican and Conservative parties, Tierney was elected in 2021 amidst a groundswell of Republican and Conservative victories across the county, New York state and nationwide. Tierney's message throughout the campaign was straightforward: Hold criminals accountable for their actions, fight the state's recent bail reform law and make the district attorney's office more accessible to the citizens of Suffolk. This message resonated with the voters, and on Election Day, he emerged victorious.

"Running against an incumbent and not having any institutional support, I made my case directly to the voters," Tierney says. "Given the recent developments in the state and nation, my message resonated with them as the right direction for Suffolk County."

Prior to being elected, Tierney spent 27 years as a prosecutor at both the state and federal levels. Beginning his career in law enforcement as an assistant district attorney in 1992 in Suffolk, Tierney returns to a familiar office, but this time, he's at the helm.

Tierney studied at the prestigious Brown University, where he played receiver on the varsity football team. After achieving his bachelor's degree, he would move on to law school, when was admitted to St. John's School of Law. While attending, he would serve as the articles editor of the St. John's International Law Review, a respected academic legal periodical, and graduated with his juris doctorate in 1992, which was the beginning of a storied career as an attorney.

"I went to law school with the specific goal of being a prosecutor in mind," Tierney says. "As a kid, I was always told that 'you do well in school, you are a good writer, you should be a lawyer.' So as a kid, my perception of what it meant to be a lawyer was going to court and prosecuting the bad guy. As I got older and understood all the different aspects and varied opportunities a law degree could give you, my desire to be a prosecutor never changed."

Throughout his career he has had myriad accomplishments in the courtroom that were touted by his campaign, supporters, and ultimately, the voters alike. Notably, during Tierney's second stint with the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, he was responsible for investigating and prosecuting felony cases, which included holding politicians responsible for breaking the law and abusing the public's trust. He also prosecuted violent offenders, ranging from organized crime to street gangs, homicides to domestic violence, to help keep Suffolk's 1.3 million residents safe.

"My first big case was the Shane

Daniels case, where a young Black man was beaten, while an off-duty police officer held the crowd at bay with his service revolver," he recalls. "In prosecuting the offender and the off-duty officer, this was very eye opening to me — especially, as the first case really high profile case I was tasked with prosecuting."

In 2008, Tierney began a position with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York in the Long Island Criminal Division. Holding the title of assistant U.S. attorney, he helped lead the early prosecutions of MS-13 and helped jump-start a nationwide effort to disrupt the dangerous gang's influence on Long Island and across the country.

"It was pretty amazing because you see it from both perspectives," Tierney says of prosecuting cases in his hometown. "As a kid growing up in Suffolk County, I had a fanciful storybook perception of Long Island being this ideal place. As a prosecutor, you get to witness firsthand the issues and problems plaguing Suffolk County, just like in any other community. Being able to return back to Suffolk County and work to keep people safe — from things like gang violence with MS-13 — was very meaningful to me."

After more than a decade, he left to become part of the Kings County District Attorney's Office, working beneath District Attorney Eric Gonzalez, a Democrat. Tierney was in charge of the Violent Criminal Enterprises Bureau, Crime Strategies Unit and Body Worn Camera Unit. Overseeing all aspects of the operation, he directed and supervised units that included teams of prosecutors, attorney investigators, NYPD investigators, analysts, paralegals and clerical staff.

Now though, as the Suffolk County district attorney, it is incumbent upon him to work alongside law enforcement agencies, prosecute those who violate the law and help preserve the safety and security of Suffolk.

"I am grateful for my past experiences as a prosecutor," he says. "I have had an unbelievable opportunity to work with some truly great prosecutors and investigators throughout the course of my career, learning from them and using those lessons to inform my prosecutions in Suffolk County. Some of these great people I have worked with in the past, I have been lucky enough to bring them on board with me.

"If there is one thing that my career and campaign has taught me is that all citizens of Suffolk County want is safety for themselves and their family, to be treated fairly by law enforcement and to have a good quality of life," he continues. "I will not forget these lessons, and I will make sure myself and my office fight every day to make those hopes a reality for everyone in the county."

Todd Shapiro is an award-winning publicist and associate publisher of Dan's Papers.









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